

ELLINGTON TOWN CRIER

A SENIOR CENTER NEWSLETTER

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NOVEMBER
2005

Ellington Senior Center
16 Church Street

Monday: 8:30 am to 6:00 pm
Tues-Thurs: 8:30 am to 4:00 pm
Friday: 8:30 am to 1:30 pm

Greetings from the Director,
What an outstanding show, our Harvest Moon Revue! We raised \$10,000 towards a new senior center !
Sincere appreciation and thank you to the community, sponsors, patrons, volunteers and performers!! Special acknowledgement to Mr. Prenetta and his students in Opening Knight Players and the custodial staff at EHS. We are hearing only wonderful raves about the whole production!! I must say, Noreen Staiger, what an actress! Noreen, Rose Parent and Pat Stoughton out did themselves with their performance. Thank you everyone!

Happy Thanksgiving.....

Blessings to all....

Sincerely,

Erin R. Graziani



OUT TO LUNCH:

Date: Nov. 1, 2005

Time: van leaves @ 11:15

Restaurant: George's

Restaurant in Vernon



Musical Insights-Takes
place at the Senior Center,
6-8 pm **Nov. 14:** Choral
Music by Mary Regan
Nov. 30: Blue Grass by
Carolyn Cook

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Calendar -Town's website:
www.ellington-ct.gov
click "Our Town News" (blue
column), select "newsletter"

OPENING KNIGHT PLAYERS

Ellington High School Drama
Society Presents:

Silenced on Barbour Street
Nov. 10, 11, 12 at 7:30 p.m.

(an original work based on the
Hartford Circus Fire)

Free Admission for Senior Citizens
Matinee performance on Nov. 10 at
Noon with van transportation
Sat. Nov. 12 at 7:30 p.m. van
transportation.

FLU CLINIC - NOV. 10, 2005
at Ellington Middle School
9:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m.

Only accepted forms of payment is Medi-
care Part B, Anthem Blue Cross & Blue
Shield, or cash. **You must call the Senior**
Center at 870-3133 to schedule your
appointment time. Registration is re-
quired prior to the clinic.

VAN NEWS: Please sign-up for transportation with the
Receptionist, if you wish to take the van.

To reserve a ride, please call (870-3133) at least 3full business days
in advance. We can not honor requests for rides left on
the answering machine. First time riders, must fill out
"Intake" form prior to your ride.



Ellington Medical Transportation Services (EMATS)

Transportation services for non-emergency medical appointments for Ellington
residents. For reservations call Senior Center Director, Erin Graziani at
870-3133 **at least 2 weeks in advance. Program is funded in part by the**
Older Americans Act through the North Central Area Agency on Aging.

MEMORIES & CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP

Wed. Nov 2 @ 1:00

Special Presentation

Hall Memorial Library

Friday, Nov. 18, 2005

7:00 p.m.

Come and enjoy an evening of
listening pleasure as the group
tells their stories and receive our
second edition of
"Our Memories" booklet

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

NEXT MEETING DATE IS FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9 AT 10:30

HEALTH & WELLNESS NEWS**Blood Pressure Clinics and Diabetic Screening:**

⇒ Blood pressures **2nd & 4th Tuesday** from 1:30-3:00 p.m. Diabetic Screenings
 “New For You” Exercise class every Monday from **9:00 to 10:00 a.m. beginning November 7.** First class free.
 Classes \$3.00 for residents; \$4.00 for non-residents.

Instructor: Alcyone Brennan

Tai Chi Sword, 24 and Fan: Every Monday beginning with Sword at 10:45 a.m., followed by 24 and Fan at 11:30 a.m. Cost: \$3.00 for residents; \$4.00 for non-residents. Ed Evans, Instructor.

Dancing; Line Dancing: Wednesdays: 1:00-2:30 p.m. Dot Willis, instructor. **Oberek, Advanced Polka, Waltz and Ballroom Dancing :** Wednesdays: 2:30-3:30 p.m. **Ballroom Dancing:** Fridays: 1:00-2:00 p.m. with Del and Raelene Bingham.

**BETTER AGE CLUB**

Meetings take place at the Senior Center on the second and fourth Thursday of the month 1:00 p.m.

November 10:

State Representatives Ted C. Graziani and Clare Janowski

Van transportation available by calling the Senior Center the Monday before the event.

The Better Age Singers

Every Wednesday
10:30-11:30 am

At the Senior Center

Van transportation available

**CENTER SCHOOL KIDS WELCOME TO THE SENIOR**

CENTER on Monday, November 14 from 10:00-10:45 a.m. students in Mrs. Marshall's 2nd grade class will share their poetry with us.

Topic: Fall Poems.

Everyone is welcome to join in!

VETERAN'S NEWS:

The American Legion Auxiliary members bring lap robes (size 40x80) to the V. A. Hospital. Anyone who would like to make a robe for the Vets, please contact Erin at the Senior Center. (870-3133)

Veteran Contacts:

VFW- Jim Stemmerman, Commander @ 872-3446 or Services Officer Morris Webber @ 875-2613

American Legion- Leonard Johnson Services Officer @ 871-1498

State Representative Ted C. Graziani @ 240-8531

**THE BOOK CLUB**

Our feature book is Eden Close by Anita Shreve at the Senior Center on **Tuesday, Nov 15 @ Noon**



MOVIES OR MALL-Tues. Nov. 8, Movie:
Sun Valley Serenade with Sonja Henie and Glenn Miller.

No van transportation due to rides to EHS for Voting.

**“NEW FOR YOU”
Exercise Class**

Mark your calendar! A new aerobic class is on its way with our friend

Alcyone Brennan.

Classes begin November 7, 2005

9:00 a.m.—10:00 a.m.

at the Senior Center

Cost \$3.00 for residents;

\$4.00 for non-residents.

Pay as you attend. The first class is free.

Instructor: Alcyone S. Brennan, L.M.T.

Certified Exercise Specialist for Older Adults- School of Allied Health

Professions-University of Connecticut.

**THANK YOU PARTY
TO MARYANNE E. ALLCROFT
Thursday, Nov. 17, 2005**

At the Senior Center at 12:30 p.m.

For the past 2 years Maryann has been gracing us with her beautiful piano music and an outstanding performance at the Harvest Moon Revue. She is leaving for her beloved Vermont. We will miss her.!

Join us for a light lunch as we bid Maryann best wishes! Please refer to the sign-up sheet for specific details. Limited seating.

VOTING DAY - NOVEMBER 8, 2005 at Ellington High School and Crystal Lake School van rides during the day, call the senior center by Nov. 4 to reserve a ride.



CARDS AND GAMES

The Bridge Players: Tuesdays @ 9:15 a.m.; see Pat Szemplinski or Rosemary Malatesta.

Evening Cards: **Setback:** Tuesdays & Saturdays at 7:00 **Pinochle— Double Deck Pinochle:** Every

Friday at **6:30 p.m.**, See Bob Karłowicz.

Games Night: The first Monday of every month @ 6pm; see Joan Randall.

Mahjongg: Come join in the fun! Every Monday @ 3pm and every Friday @ 10:00 a.m., see Sylvia Kravitz.

THE CRAFTY CORNER

Lucille's Knitting: 2nd, 3rd and 4th Tuesday @ 2pm

Rose Parent's Sew & So: 1st and 3rd Thursday @ 9:30 a.m.

Carolyn's Crafts: 2nd and 4th Thursday @ 10:00 a.m.

Denise's Block Style Knit: Every Monday @ 2pm



THE BOCCE 2005 SEASON

Had a very successful year.
See all of you in the Spring!!
— Mary Bertelson

Thanksgiving Dinner

Monday, November 21, 2005 at Noon.

Turkey and the fixings, rolls, beverage and pumpkin pie for \$8.00/person due at sign-up.

Sign-up by Nov. 14

DICK PILLAR'S AQUA TURF CHRISTMAS PARTY

Tues. Nov. 29 ; 10:30-3:30 pm

Cost \$31.00/person due @ sign-up.
Van transportation.

ELDERLY OUTREACH SERVICES: Contact Anna L. Turner, @ 870-3131 for information on programs and services for residents age 60 and older. **Veteran's Benefits Presentation, Nov. 3 from 2-3:30pm at the Senior Center.** A representative from the CT Dept of Veteran's Affairs will be the guest speaker. **You must register for this program by calling Anna L. Turner @ 870-3131 by 11/1.**

Trips 2005

A non-refundable \$10.00 deposit is required at sign-up for all trips. If a deposit is not made, you will be placed on the waiting list. A "Medical Waiver" form for 2005 (gold color) is required.

New as of Aug. 1, 2005: Payments will be received daily at the Senior Center. Tuesday and Wednesday from 2:00—3:30 p.m., will be designated only at deadline dates for that particular trip.

Parking available at Town Hall for bus pick-up and drop off (at Maple St. entrance). Please be at the pick-up site 15 minutes before departure time posted on each trip. For more information on the trips, call the Senior Center (870-3133).

Comedy Casino—The Carl Hurley Show: Tuesday, November 15, 2005; down home humor of Carl Hurley, The Charlie Prose of the South. His upbeat outlook has carried him from a two-room backwoods cabin in Kentucky to the Grand Olde Opry Stage. Itinerary 10 a.m. arrival at Garde Arts Center, for the show. Noon arrival at Mohegan Sun Casino, full buffet, casino bonus *\$10 in free play coupons, subject to change. Depart from Town Hall parking lot at 8:30 a.m. and return approximately at 6:30 p.m. Cost \$40.00/person.

ATLANTIC CITY JANUARY 2006: Tuesday, January 24– Thursday, January 26, 2006 \$20.00 cash bonus, two \$15.00 brunches & \$20.00 Casino show; includes deluxe accommodations At the Tropicana Casino. Flyers available at the Senior Center.
Cost \$145.00/person for double occupancy. Please fill out new waivers for 2006!!